Tire Discount Approved By A.S. Council

Students who buy tire accessories can now save money on their purchases because of an action by the Associated Students Executive Council last Tuesday in CC104. The session marked the last meeting of this semester's council.

There is one major benefit to the new discount, according to Bruce Buffington, commissioner of evening division and proposer of the motion.

"This discount will make students aware of A.S. Council, he said, "and will encourage participation in student affairs. All students, whether they have a paid ID or not, will be able to take advantage of the discount."

Cecil Turner, representative of Capital Tire Warehouse, said that the reduced rate will only be available at his company. He added, "The discount will enable students to purchase tire accessories, usually at a wholesale price."

Discount tickets will be distributed to Valley College citizens during registration and at several key locations on campus, beginning in the fall semester.

In other business, council approved an amendment to the Inter-Organizational Council constitution, suggested by Mary Pat Thompson, vice-president. The change gives the IOC Executive Committee the power to suspend charters of clubs who miss three council meetings.

"Absences of IOC sessions will not be recorded until the third week of the semester," stated Ms. Thompson.

Diane Hannam, treasurer, was successful in persuading council participants to approve her motion regarding the recognition of people who aid the legislative body by giving them monetary contributions. Contributors will be given a certificate, in addition to a gold card, said Ms. Hannam.

For their valuable service to council this semester, council allocated $150 to purchase plaques for its advisers. Advisers to council this semester were Ruby Zuver, acting dean of students; and Lois McCrackin and Bruno Cicotti, coordinators of student affairs.



BEAUTIFUL ANGIE DICKINSON visited Valley College last Tuesday to film a sequence from her hit TV series Police Woman. She is shown above holding the script from the show which will be the second one shown next season.

Valley Star Photo by Bruce Margolis

Board's Proposed Budget Receives Mixed Reception

By STAN SPERLING
Club Editor

Valley College's proposed $12 million budget for the '75-'76 school year has been received with mixed reaction from faculty and administration personnel. The fiscal statement for the campus was tentatively approved by the Board of Trustees May 21.

The failure of the board to allocate enough monies for education purposes was a major criticism of the budget. George Hale, president of the Los Angeles chapter of the California Teachers Association, charged the district committee with misappropriations of budget reserve funds.

"Each year, the board places monies from the budget in a reserve fund," he explained. "Since teachers' salaries are inadequate, the monies in the account should be used for this purpose, but they are not. The board seems to be inclined towards increasing the budget for administration at a faster rate than raising the fund for teachers."

According to an American Federation of Teachers College Guild bulletin, classified employees in upper positions receive a greater monthly salary than classroom teachers. In addition, the information sheet claimed that some classified personnel receive a much greater hourly salary than evening faculty members.

Although he believes the budget represents an adequate amount to continue Valley's current programs, William E. Lewis, acting president, claimed that the board did not allocate enough funds for the college's immediate needs. He said, "the board did not provide funds for the growth of our support programs, such as counseling, student services, and deferred maintenance. Our counseling program would especially suffer if there is a lack of funds."

Despite his criticism Lewis labels the budget determining process as a vast improvement over previous years.

"Five years ago," he stated, "the president of the college had no idea of the total costs involved in the budget. We are now to the point, however, where the college staffs can estimate its costs for their programs and therefore can determine its own budget within district limitations."

Hale explained that the best feature of the fiscal statement is its execution without any large tax increase.

Larger requests for budget allocations, the LACTA head said, will materialize if current predictions for an increase in the college's enrollment are correct. He explained, "If the district continues to work toward getting as many people involved in community colleges as possible, this will be the main factor in the growth of the community colleges. Because of this, more instructors will have to be hired and paid."

Lewis foresees a larger budget request if the needs of the community warrant additional programs.

"The desires of the citizens of the surrounding cities are our first priority," the president stated.

Tentative allocations to Valley are divided into two parts, said Dr. Ralph Tayloe, assistant dean of educational services. The first portion, he said is devoted to most of the $12 million general fund, while grants for the community services and vocational fiscal statements compose part two of the budget. Monies for the two remaining programs total $562,350 and $92,604, respectively.

"All funds granted by the board are based on an average daily attendance rate," Dr. Tayloe stated, "except for the vocational budget which is funded by the state."

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Presidential Candidates' Names Told

By BRUCE GILBERT
Editor-in-Chief

The Valley Star has learned the names of the three candidates for President of Valley College.

They are Alice Thurston, president of Garland Junior College; Jack Fujimoto, from Pierce College; and Bill Nelson, from Orange Coast College.

It is believed Thurston will be named president. The 1975 World Almanac lists Thurston as president of Garland Junior College, a women's college with an enrollment of 300 and a teaching staff of 31 located in Boston, Massachusetts.

No information was available on the other candidates.

The President's Selection Committee, which consists of faculty and student members chose the names after reviewing the candidates' applications. The names were then given to Chancellor Leslie Koltai who will submit the list to the Board of Trustees. With Koltai's recommendations, the Board can either make a selection and appoint a new president for Valley, or decline and ask the committee to start the selection procedures over.

Back in February Koltai declined to submit any candidates to the Board.

Enrollment For Fall '75

The Admissions Office has announced the enrollment appointment schedule for Fall '75 semester.

Thurs., June 5 ..... Mu - Qu
Mon., June 9 ..... Ra - Se
Tues., June 10 ..... Sh - Tz
Wed., June 11 ..... Ua - Zz

Students who have failed to pick up appointments for summer may do so until June 4.

It's Time for Finals

7 or 7:30 a.m.—Mon. or Wed. or Fri. ..... Wed., June 18 — 9-11 a.m.
Tues. or Thurs. ..... Tues., June 17 — 9-11 a.m.
8 or 8:30 a.m.—Mon. or Wed. or Fri. ..... Mon., June 16 — 9-11 a.m.
Tues. or Thurs. ..... Tues., June 17 — 9-11 a.m.
9 or 9:30 a.m.—Mon. or Wed. or Fri. ..... Wed., June 11 — 9-11 a.m.
Tues. or Thurs. ..... Thurs., June 12 — 9-11 a.m.
10 a.m.—Mon. or Wed. or Fri. ..... Mon., June 9 — 9-11 a.m.
Tues. or Thurs. ..... Tues., June 10 — 9-11 a.m.
11 or 11:30 a.m.—Mon. or Wed. or Fri. ..... Fri., June 13 — 9-11 a.m.
12 or 12:30 p.m.—Mon. or Wed. or Fri. ..... Wed., June 11 — 1-3 p.m.
Tues. or Thurs. ..... Tues., June 10 — 1-3 p.m.
1 or 1:30 p.m.—Mon. or Wed. or Fri. ..... Mon., June 16 — 1-3 p.m.
Tues. or Thurs. ..... Tues., June 17 — 1-3 p.m.
2 or 2:30 p.m.—Mon. or Wed. or Fri. ..... Wed., June 18 — 1-3 p.m.
Tues. or Thurs. ..... Thurs., June 12 — 1-3 p.m.
3 or 3:30 p.m.—Mon. or Wed. or Fri. ..... Mon., June 9 — 1-3 p.m.
Thurs. or Tues. ..... Fri., June 13 — 1-3 p.m.
4 p.m.—Mon. or Tues. or Wed. or Thurs. or Fri. Wed., June 11 — 1-3 p.m.

Saturday classes will have finals on Saturday, June 14. Modular classes (classes meeting 1-4 hours only one day a week), will have their finals at the regular class meeting time of the week of June 9-13. In case of conflicts, see your instructor. All students are required to take finals in every class.

Speaker To Explain Huntington's Illness

The myterious sickness of Huntington's Disease will be explained by Jan Espinoza, president of the Committee to Combat Huntington's Disease, in a Psychology Club sponsored lecture today at 11 a.m. in BSc 106. In addition to her talk, Ms. Espinoza will show a 30-minute film on the subject.

Classified as a hereditary neuromuscular disorder, the ailment causes the loss of brain cells of the basal ganglia, according to a pamphlet released by the organization. Death results from a disease arising from the weakened condition of the body.

Many people are suffering from the sickness but are not aware of it, according to Ms. Espinoza. She added that this peril is due to a constant misdiagnosis on the part of doctors, mistakenly listing the disease as epilepsy or multiple sclerosis, among others.

The committee president indicated that there were several symptoms of the sickness.

"An early symptom of the disease is involuntary muscle motions," she stated, "causing very uncoordinated movements. Eventually, a distortion of the face and a shuffling walk may occur."

Activities, Speakers Slated For Graduation Program

By TED MYERS
Staff Writer

The program for Valley's 26th Commencement Exercises has been set and is scheduled to begin at 6:30 p.m., Wednesday, June 18, in the Free Speech Area.

Students who succeed in appearing on the Dean's List four or more times will receive a new award called the Chancellor's Distinguished Honor Award.

The remainder of the program will follow traditional commencement procedures.

Exercises will begin with a rendition of "March Processional" by the Los Angeles Valley College Wind Ensemble. The national anthem, the invocation by Michael Palladino, Associated Students president, and a musical selection, by the Wind Ensemble, "Jubilance," will follow.

Ms. Bobby Buon-Christiani and Ms. Barbara J. McDowell, both students, will then make their address on the theme, "Changing Patterns of Education: Where is the Community College Headed?

A presentation of the honors award by Jack Neblett, dean of instruction, and the Chancellor's Distinguished Honor Award by William Spaeter, vice chancellor, will be made.

William E. Lewis, acting president, will then make the presentation of candidates which will be followed by the announcement of candidates by Dr. Max Heyman, class adviser, and the conferring of degrees by Dr. Monroe Richman, a member of the Los Angeles Community College Board of Trustees. The alma mater, "Green and Gold" by Earle B. Immel, will then be sung.

The commencement will conclude with the recessional, "A Marching Song," by James Ployhar.

Dean's List Vets Obtain Scholarship

Of the 177 veterans that qualified for this semester's Dean's List, 32 were selected last week to receive $200 scholarships made available by he Los Angeles Community College Overseas Program Scholarship Fund.

At a small gathering last Thursday morning in the Cafeteria Conference Room, the recipients were honored with the checks by Acting President William Lewis, retiring Dean of Instruction Jack Neblett, and Head Veteran Counselor John Barnhart.

The following veterans, defined by Barnhart as the "cream of the crop," were carefully chosen for the scholarships not on the basis of need, but on the merits of their academic achievement.

Those honored were Rudy Mike Aragon, Richard Carroll Brizendine, Kent Cox, Steven Stewart Eby, John Rodriquez Escalera Jr., Roger William Ferguson, Fred C. Fitch Jr., Richard B. Foulkes, Dennis Wayne George, Jon Alan Van Gorder, Frederick Donald Guarino.

Also included, Marc Stephen Hesse, Truman Harry Hile, Charles Eric Johnson, Willie Gene Knatcal, Michael John Kulpa, Paul Anthony Kyler, Douglas Keith Lamerson, George Louis Latorre, John Curtis Lowerey, Ruben Andrew Lucero, Timothy J. Lynch, Oscar Fred Meza.

Others were James Robert Oetting, Dennis Michael Olson, William Prescott Putnam, John Leigh Simonson, Donna Rae Slade, Larry Lee Stamper, Charles F. Vach, Marion Joyce Willsey, Charles A. Yurko.

Mandatory Retirement Suit Filed

The Los Angeles Community College District can legally force teachers to retire at age 65 even though teachers in the state university and college system may work beyond that age, the Los Angeles Times reported.

The ruling, handed down Friday by Superior Judge Norman R. Dowds, denied the American Federation of Teachers College Guild Local 1521 argument that the district's mandatory retirement rule is unconstitutionally discriminatory.

The class-action civil suit was brought in the names of Karl R.

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Fewer Buildings Face Relocation

Some bungalows will have to be removed from the Valley College campus, but not as many as originally planned, according to Donald Brunet, dean of educational services.

About 10 to 12 bungalows were originally scheduled to be taken to Mission College's new campus in Mission Hills. However, due to a new space utilization plan, more of the bungalows will probably remain at Valley College.

The new plan is "more realistic," said Brunet. It is a formula used to compute student contact hours with teachers and the amount of floor space needed.

"Our enrollment projections are encouraging," said Brunet. Because of this, Valley College will resubmit a request for the amount of space needed.

At this time no decision has been made on what will finally be done with the bungalows. "It is still in a state of flux," added Brunet.

He estimates that only about half as many bungalows will now have to be moved. He pointed out that three of the older buildings will probably be the first to go.

The building which houses rooms 16 and 17 would be first, followed by 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, and 23.

The Bungalow 15 issue is also still undecided, but Brunet feels there is a "good chance" that the bill sponsored by Sen. Alan Robbins will be passed.

The bill would declare Bungalow 15 a historical landmark and would prevent if from being removed. Dr. James L. Dodson, professor of history, has led the fight to preserve the oldest building on campus.

Bungalow 15 was the first Administration Building at Valley College, and Dodson feels it should be preserved as "an important part of the history of Valley College."

Charges Against LACCD Vice Chancellor Revealed

By KEVIN GRABLE
Staff Writer

Specifics of the charges against Dr. Louis Kaufman, executive vice chancellor of the LACC District, have been released by a Department of the Army spokesman. These charges led to Kaufman's removal from command of the 63rd U.S. Army Reserve.

The Army spokesman told Star in a telephone interview that Kaufman was relieved from command because of the following charges:

"He authorized the misuse of WAC (Women's Army Corps) dollars allocated for special training.

"Officially reported that his son (Lieutenant Robert Kaufman, Regular Army) served in a unit vacancy prescribed for a captain when he really did not.

"He appointed his son as an aide to a general officer who was not authorized an aide."

Kaufman said he has applied to the commanding general of the 6th Army for an open hearing on the matter.

"I really don't think this was normal, and I don't quite know what happened," he said. "It was, in my opinion, political," he added.

"That's why I want a hearing to find out," Kaufman said. He would not elaborate, however, on the political aspect of the charges.

Kaufman said that the charges put out by the Army were "not so." If they were true, he said, he would not dare ask for a hearing.

"In my position, I couldn't promote my son. He would have to go to an Army selection board," he explained. "They did it; I didn't."

Kaufman's attorney, Harold E. White, said that the Army charges were "just a bunch of allegations with no truth in them whatsoever."

Characterizing the charges as "ridiculous," White said that Kaufman would be vindicated at the hearing.

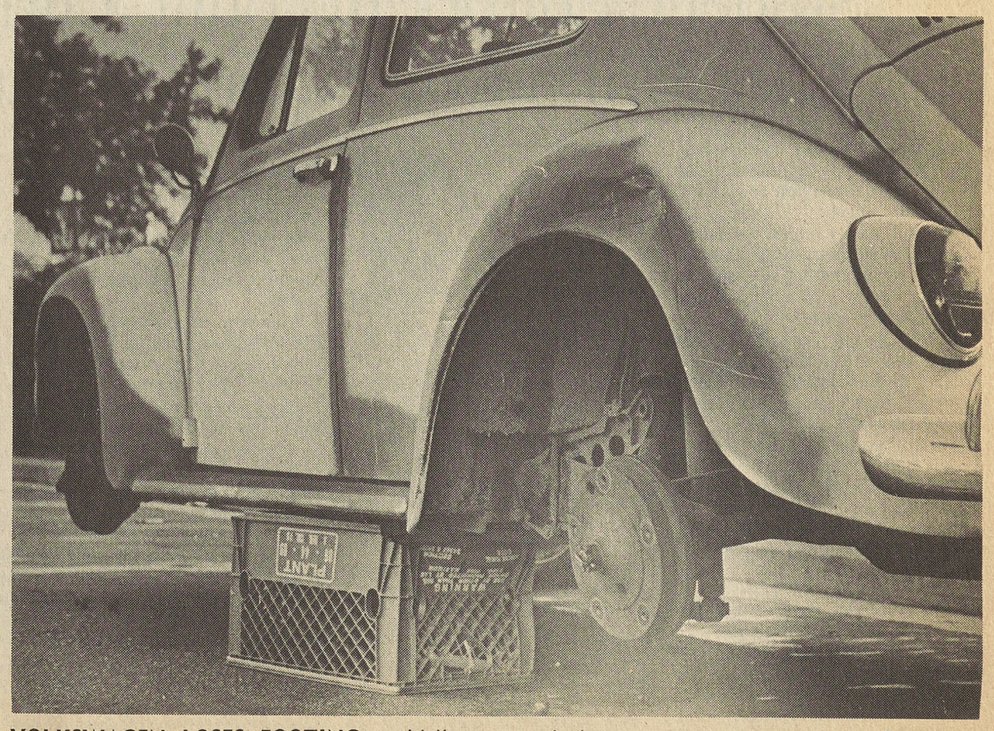
He has requested that the commanding general of the 6th Army return Kaufman's command immediately.

"Everything was done according to Army regulations, as far as I know," he said. "Let them see how ridiculous these charges are," he commented in a telephone interview with a Star reporter.

White said that the hearing, which has not been scheduled yet, would at least clear Kaufman's name even if it occurs after his mandatory retirement in about a month. Army regulations require him to retire after 35 years of service.

Kaufman's public defense seems to be summarized by saying, "I didn't do it." He said that his lawyer has asked him not to get into a big discussion on the subject.

A spokesman for the LACC District said that Kaufman's job as vice chancellor would not be affected by the Army action, and that Kaufman had always kept his military interests separate from his job at the district.



VOLKSWAGEN LOSES FOOTING in Valley College Parking Lot A near Fulton Avenue. An unidentified Volkswagen beetle has been abandoned in the lot. Two wheels were taken, and the interior was ransacked. Somebody also removed the license plate. Security officers are trying to locate the owner.

Valley Star Photo by Mario Prado

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STAR EDITORIALS

Expansion Right, Money Tight

There are departments at Valley College that are growing dramatically. These departments are in need of funds to expand their teaching staff equipment, supply, and additional facilities in order to better serve the students.

One example is Life Science Department. It is in need of funds to expand the facility and to bring many collections out of storage for students to view. It is also in need of a full time curator to care for it. Two instructors share the museum as an office.

Every year departments within each of the nine community colleges submit to the district a facility and educational plan. Within this plan there is autilization standard set up by the state whereby community colleges have to utilize classrooms, labs, and offices so many hours per week. There have to be so many students per classroom. Fifty-three hours of utilization per week are required in an instructional lecture type of classroom.

These are standards set by the state in which the nine community colleges must operate. By the formulas set and by the utilization of classrooms, labs and offices, Valley College is said to be approximately 35 per cent overbuilt, according to standards that community colleges follow.

The overbuilt figure is due to the approximate time period between the hours of one and five p.m. During these hours facilities at Valley College are not utilized to state standards.

Valley College students are accustomed to taking morning or evening classes but not afternoon classes. This is a major reason why we might lose some of our bungalows to Mission or Harbor College. Recognizing Valley College's problem, the district is working along with Valley College to come to the best possible arrangement on this matter.

Valley College will have to come up with some ideas on how to utilize the classrooms between these hours to stimulate student enrollment during this time period.

In putting together the yearly budget, a sum of money is established to be Valley College's available income for the coming year. This year the amount was approximately $10.5 million. Funding, however, can come to various departments through several avenues. Besides the district budget, departments can get monies for projects through federal grants, A.S. monies, and community services funds have also been helpful. Special project funds are available from the district.

These special project funds are given for projects the district feels justify the additional support.

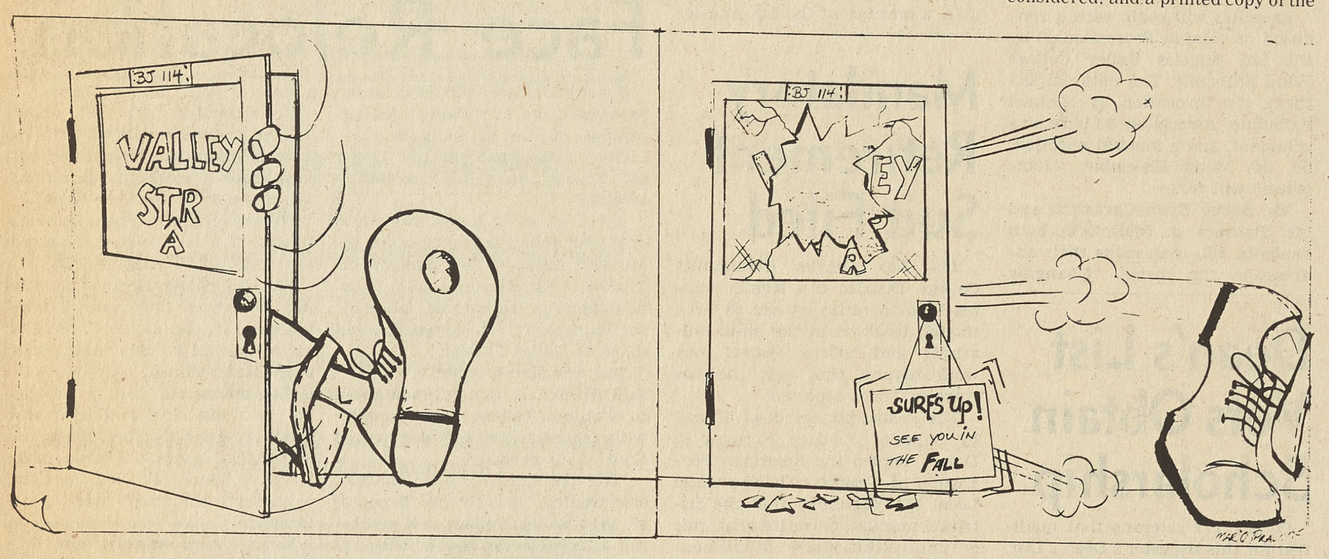
The budget committee is composed of the president of the college, deans, professors, classified staff, and students from student government. There are approximately 20 members that make-up the budget committee.

All committee members have input for the priority of the budget dollar. From this priority list the committee goes as far down the list as the budget dollar allows.

Departments that can show the district a lot of justification for their departments' special need, and thoroughly justify that need, stand a good chance of convincing the chancellors, vice chancellors and board members of this need and therefore could bet the special project district funds.

All nine colleges in the district are vying for the moneies in this special fund. The district must make a decision as to who gets the money, upon the justification of the need presented to them.

Star encourages all departments who feel in need of these special monies to keep trying for these funds until they are received. We also encourage students to tell a friend about Valley College. The higher Valley College's enrollment, the more money the college will get for department program expansion, thus benefiting everyone.



FEATURE THIS

Next Editor Plans Professional Look For Valley's 21st Edition of Manuscript

By JOHN SEQUEIRA
Feature Editor

Indian print pillows are everwhere inside. One becomes a cat, black and white. It stretches to life, looks around, and sneaks out the back door.

There by the pool, on a Laurel Canyon hill, Dorothy Simon looks over the new 74/75 issue of Manuscript. She's next year's editor-in-chief, and she's noticed something.

"Do you realize Manuscript will be 21-years-old next year? It's come of age: a virginal 21."

Simon, 28, has written,photographed, and generally projected herself into busy times. She now wants this college's literary yearly to look as good as the big ones.

"Yale Review, Denver Quarterly . . . These are top publications, with extreme prestige. Our material has been of an equal character."

Simon is so sure of it, she'll have Manuscript distributed to the literary and review markets.

"I don't think it's ever been approached from a professional magazine viewpoint before, and that's just what I want it to look like."

On the patio table is a copy of Tom Schulz's Zen ZCLA Journal, a local publication, done with a clean subtleness and simplicity.

"Tom is a friend who has been doing fantastic magazine layouts since his San Francisco 'Oracle' days."

Simon, an applicant member of Topanga's Sand Stone Ranch (she first went to write an article), is a nudist. She wears her waist bracelet well.

As she talks, she's up and down, getting coffee, photographs, printed material. She's been seeing lots of people recently, going into classroom, asking for contributors and staff members for the fall.

"I want photographs, art work, Black poetry, and maybe a Spanish translation. I want this to be the voice of all students, not only the English department.

"There could be some sort of competition for contributors, the prize being getting into print. I'm waiting for other ideas when the staff forms." She wants potential members to leave word at the English department office.

Another editorial thought is a roundtable critique service for Manuscript contributors.

"That's where a poem or story is considered, and a printed copy of the editorial board's criticisms or opinions goes back to the writer."

It's done now, by another of Simon's friends, editor of a local feminist review.

Simon, herself, is no closet writer. Her articles are in Mankind Magazines, the Adam/Knight publishers here in Los Angeles.

". . . usually erotica or non-fiction things, like the opening of the Love Boutique."

This fall she reviews books, films, even restaurants, for the Free Press. She's done these before, for Staff. There's also a novel out for acceptance.

"It's a gothic novel set Cape Cod, in 1852."

She calls it the "Scrimshaw Curse," and her eyes widen at the mention of it.

"I've written short fiction, usually first person form. And poetry. Haiku, free form verse—all, as they say—yet unpublished."

Now she's doing taped interviews.

"Primarily with San Francisco area writers. It's for the Center for Casette Studies which distributes to libraries, etc."

Simon left Manhattan at 18 with her photographer husband and lived at Santa Monica. Then changes occured after the marriage ended.

"I stopped writing and tried to do photography. I got great feedback but couldn't support myself." (She now gets freelance assignments.) "I went east, got sort of stranded, and returned here less than a year ago.

"Finally, this New Years, at a party, I went outside and looked over the city. I felt it was going to be a good year."

Following up on that feeling, she enrolled in writer's groups, including Valley's Writers' Roundtable.

"It worked. It forced me into communications with people, gave me confidence to send out for publication. I dropped the other workshops and kept the Roundtable class."

Simon now hopes to begin an adjunct series workshop on the Psychology of Writing for Antioch West. "I have a list of guest speakers, writers, that I'll be as interested as the students to hear from and talk to."

She also will coordinate a workshop in massage, communicating through touching, at Elysium Field or Sand Stone.

Massage?

"Sure. And Manuscript. Cancerians, they say, can be highly organized. I hope so."



DOROTHY SIMON, next editor-in-chief of Manuscript magazine wants the literary yearly to be the voice of all students.

VALLEY FORGE

Semester's Ending Prompts Contemplation of Goals



BRUCE GILBERT
Editor-in-Chief

A slight parallel can be drawn between the week before finals and the copyreaders symbol "30." The number "30" informs the Linotype operator that the story has come to an end; the pre-final week signals to the student that the semester is just about to come to a close. However, it's important to note that the former is permanent; the latter is not.

With the number "30" nothing can be changed. But not so with pre-final week, because with some studying and a little bit of luck a student can achieve a good grade on his final exam and pull that "C" up to a "B" grade. For many this is the true meaning of these seven days.

But for others, it is a time to sit back and reflect about the passing semester. This semester for many (including myself) was a time of high hopes, wishful dreams and unattainable goals.

At the beginning there were the dreams of great accomplishments and the completion of many projects. But somehow there always seems to be roadblocks. The kid gets sick, you lose your job, the car breaks down. As the song goes, "so many things I would have done, but clouds got in my way."

Why don't things work out the way we planned? It could have been that we just set our goals too high, that to accomplish our dreams would have been impossible.

Whatever the reason, there still is next semester. Maybe if we can just learn from our past mistakes one day we will be able to reach our dreams.

Have a nice summer. And please remember, never give up, always keep on trying.

"30"

LETTERS

Letters may be mailed to the Valley Star, or may be presented in person to the Valley Star office, Business-Journalism 114, by 10:30 a.m. Monday for the following Thursday.

Letters should be typewritten with a maximum length of 250-300 words. Letters may be edited for length or conciseness. Also, include student I.D. number and signature. Names will be withheld upon request.

LETTERS

Dean Commends Star Staff Writer

Dear Editor,

I would like to take this opportunity to commend the Valley Star and Kevin Grable on an article well done. I feel that his coverage of the City Council action on the closing of Ethel Avenue was interesting and factual. It showed an adequate amount of research and understanding of the problem.

Don Brunet
Dean of Education Services

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Dear Editor,

Brian K. Dennis' letter of May 22 which was critical of the closing of Ethel Avenue was quite misleading.

The main reason Ethel is going to be closed is due to the danger to the students, especially those with handicaps. In the last few years several accidents have occured that have caused student injuries. An example of this was an accident which happended last November, during a football game, when a student crossed the street and sustained serious injuries.

A second point is that the bridge is totally inaccessible to over 300 handicapped students at Valley. The bridge grade is so steep that it is totally impossible to cross the bridge to the P.E. field. Handicapped students have the same rights to events and activities in the P.E. areas as any other student.

It is the policy of the Community Colleges and Valley College to make the whole campus free and totally accessible to all, including the handicapped. Dean Brunet was implementing this college policy in advocating the closure of Ethel.

Finally, the closing of Ethel was a five year struggle, not a sudden and unexpected decision.

Mr. Dennis, who was a member of the A.S. Council, could have made his views known to college officials as could any Valley student.

Bruce R. Ullman

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Dear Editor,

"Parting is such sweet sorrow.." So go the words of Marx, (you remember, Marx Twain or was that Shakespeare? In any event, my time for parting Valley College is at hand. I am writing this letter in an attempt to be more clever than Mike Palladino as well as having some of my relections of Valley preserved for future generations.

The thing I will remember most about Valley is that it is like an eternal Peyton Place. Plots and subplots come and go. The Spring '75 episode still has several loose ends. Some of them are: Will the new president be half as nice as Mr. Lewis? Will the swimming pool ever be built? Will the Campus Crusade for Christ ever "save" Roy Beaumont? Will Pat Allen ever discover that the root of capitalism is human nature? Will Pat Maquire ever learn that objectivity is a relative term?

I don't know and I refuse to speculate. But I can tell you to tune in next fall, same time same place.

Vaya con Dios,
Thomas Hubbell '75

Dear Editor, * * *

I have read the Valley Star every week faithfully since I have attended this college. The paper has been excellent this semester. I would like to especially compliment Miss Karen Sump, Star managing editor.

Miss Sump has done page 2 of the paper each week for the semester. She has shown good judgment in the make-up of her page as well as much journalistic expertise.

As long as people like Miss Sump continue in this field, the fine reputation that journalism has will continue.

Vince Albrigo

REFLECTIONS

Student Editors Recount Lurid Past; Face Unknown Future as Alumnae



MYRIAM HARVEY
City Editor

Frustration, elation, hot flashes, joy, depression—commencement from Valley College will be like the post-partum blues.

Having experienced neither college graduation or childbirth, I am undoubtedly unqualified to comment on either. But I'm a candidate for both, so I'll speculate.

It's been a long, grueling stretch, fraught with late term papers, bad orange juice, registration lines, bookstore lines, snack bar lines, parking lot lines . . .

This way in, this way out, please. Will all those graduating take a deep breath and prepare to step into the future, please?

I've learned a lot during my three-semester haul here. Let me give you some examples.

Everything you always wanted to know about Campus Security . . . These guys know everything. The deepest vaults of Valley College, the furthest reaches of Parking Lot G, the most insignificant storage closet all hold no secrets from these staunch men and women. Their forte is starting stalled cars.

Where Paid ID Funds Really Go. Raisin and coconut bars in the Bookstore. A most delectable snack, and it only costs 20 cents.

The Scandal Behind Scan-Tron. An already overburdened faculty, faced with Himalayan stacks of essays to grade fled gratefully into the arms of the humble Scantron. All that creative humbuggery I used to depend on to pull off a passing grade "has went" the way of the hand-graded final.

What Happened to the Orange Juice? They told me it was mpfghb shrdlud grblab . . .

I could go on for volumes.

One thing's for sure: those hot flashes will throw me right out of orbit when I fling my five thumbs at President Lewis June 18.

It will be an indescribably delicious handshake.

The prospect of finals isn't even depressing me and that's saying something. I must admit though that the blues haven't set in because of the additional prospect of graduation and receiving an A.A. degree, the stepping stones to bigger and better things.

What a rocky, jagged trail just to end up at another stepping stone.

State curriculum requirements, not to mention A.A. degree musts, the "if you're under 21, you gotta take P.E." blues, the frustration of ending up last for an enrollment appointment because of your last name, the dilemma of being number 77 with the drop-in counselor and having to duck out at number 76 to get to class on time all contributed to a memorable if not downright unforgettable stay at Valley College.

But, not all is negative. As a matter of fact, if one learns to accept the bureaucratic hassles and the psychology behind large-scale operations such as in a campus of more than 22,000 students, Valley fares very well in its attempt and, in my estimation, success at higher education.

In retrospect, the little frustrating episodes during my four semesters at Valley seem small compared to all I've learned and experienced in the classroom and in dealing with teachers, counselors, and campus employees.

Even my semesters of being feature and managing editor have proven fruitful in terms of knowledge and practical experience gained. The pressure of deadlines, irate readers, and the digestion of more Rolaids than "Star indigestion" warrants seem insignificant now though this 20-year-old has aged considerably in the last few months.

So, all in all, I leave Valley on June 18 with a quiet kind of resolve that it was all worthwhile. The frustrations coupled with sound education makes one wiser in the ways of the world.

Valley College—you have made me very wise!



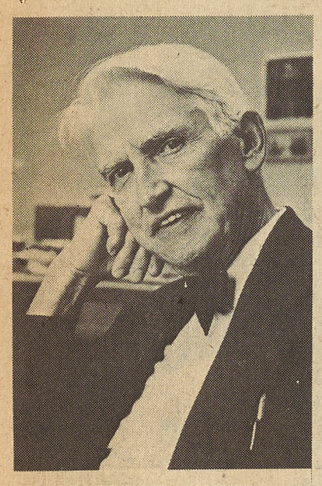
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School's Out for Retiring Valley Teachers



FLETCHER FLYNN
Ass. Prof. of English

Above all else, Fletcher R. Flynn, associate professor of English, plans to take his own advice and "stay flexible" when he retires next week after 10 years at Valley College.

With a copy of "Golf Power in Motion" peeping out from under the mountains of textbooks and classics that English professors are usually associated with, Flynn maintains, "I'm not worried about what I'm going to do with my time."

Predictably, the spry, white-haired teacher will continue his writing. He has completed research on a historical novel covering one man's life during the U.S. mercantile era between 1820 and 1849. Flynn estimates the project will take two years to complete. He is also involved with text revision with another Valley College professor, Thomas McGuire.

Less predictably, Flynn is anticipating travels to Greece and Rome, more time for golf and increased hours to devote to the piano. "I more or less taught myself," he smiles.

Flynn has been involved with music since his earlier days when he played with a small combo at various ethnic weddings and provided dance music for a ballet school.

His beginning endeavors led to larger opportunities, and he found himself a member of a 25 piece "big band" in the 1920's. The group reached its apex when they played a one month engagement in one of the large ballrooms of the day. Realizing they were not drawing a crowd, a quick check revealed that the famed Duke Ellington was playing in the next room. "Naturally we went over and listened to him," Flynn laughed.

Since that time, flexibility has remained Flynn's basic approach to life. After jobs varying in scope from janitor to insurance salesman, he began his career as a teacher at a private school in San Bernardino. It goes without saying that his flexibility followed him. During his employment there he taught math, speech, journalism, and drafting as well as English. "I was at an advantage because I could write," he explained.

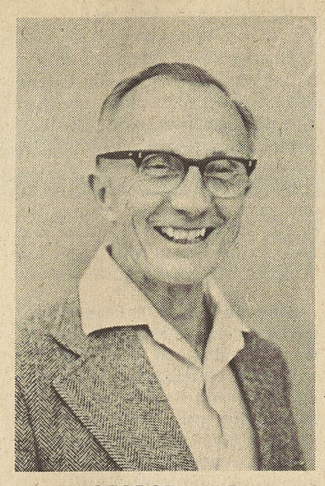
"Most people don't choose their careers," he said. "I never thought of being a teacher." Indeed not. After receiving his bachelor's degree from Harvard University, Flynn had planned to go into law.

Nevertheless, Flynn does not feel his legal training to be wasted. "Every job is learning," he maintains.

He feels that apart from the specific information gained from a particular course, the real value of education lies in transferring acquired logic from one class to the next. "Part of the enjoyment of anything is knowing what's going on," he offers. He feels that school can help students better enjoy whatever they are doing.

Flynn's flexibility has most certainly offered him a host of varied experiences, both in his career and in his recreation. It appears doubtful that retirement will keep Fletcher R. Flynn from being concerned with anything from a student's involvement with the American Softball Association to a heated discussion about the "nobility of the common man."

—CANDEE OLSON



GEORGE HALE
Prof. of Biology

"Where have all the flowers gone?" There could never be quite so many without conscientious nature lovers like our own George Hale, professor of biology.

For 21 years Hale has been instructing Valley College students about the world of plants. During the past four years, however, the bulk of his time has been occupied with counselling although he still conducts botany classes.

No one passing through the Administration Building, that beehive of activity where students sign up for classes and assemble with their diverse problems, can miss the reassuring, smiling, bespectacled man at the drop-in desk who patiently anwers repetitious questions as if he were hearing them for the first time.

Lately Prof. Hale has begun to reach for new horizons and to set new goals for himself. He has decided to take an early retirement with his wife who is finishing her last term as principal of Stratern Street Elementary School.

When the summer session ends, he explained, he can begin to do the important things he has had to postpone because of his bustling work schedule.

First on the agenda is a trip to New Zealand and Australia with his wife to visit her family. After that, he expects his activities will not be quite so tame.

This professor, who has already scaled Mt. Kilamanjaro, intends to do more mountain climbing in the Andes and the High Sierras to do nature studies. Many private concerns have requested his assistance with environmental impact and wild life surveys for government reports. Hale intends also to participate actively in Sierra Club projects.

He helped in the development of the Gold Creek Natural History Reserve in Little Tujunga Canyon. He and his department associates escort Valley College students to the reserve which has become a valuable teaching aid.

In addition, Hale chaired the Biology Department for nine years and is currently president of the Los Angeles College Teachers Association.

Working with the Academic Senate, however, has given him the greatest feelings of pride and accomplishment, Hale said.

"If the teachers are happy in their positions at this college," he said, "the students will be happy too. That works both ways."

Despite an abundance of future plans for working more directly with environmental problems, Prof. Hale shows signs of nostalgia at the thought of abandoning his present form of involvement with his science.

"Valley College is a special place," he said. "The morale here is great, and that cannot be said of many colleges. I'll miss it."

—ELLEN SCHANTZ



RUTH KING
Ass. Prof. of English

Ruth King, associate Professor of English, has decided on an early retirement. She has been a teacher for almost 20 years and a member of the Valley College faculty since 1964.

Prof. King has taught freshman English and most of the other English and literature courses offered at Valley College. She feels that she has had the opportunity to influence students, who have returned for a second and third chance to do it, and do it better.

"One of my greatest pleasures in teaching is helping all students, specially those students who apprehensively came back for a second chance," said Prof. King. "I could relate to them, and I could understand their fears and insecurities about school. I too belong to that group of students that wanted another chance."

After being graduated from Van Nuys High School, Prof. King continued her education as an English Major at UCLA. She attended the university for two years before her education was interrupted by romance and marriage.

"Young students have so many things going on in their minds. A woman thinks of romance, marriage, being in love. It's hard to stay in school."

Prof. King explained that she has a wonderful marriage and gives thanks to her husband and two children for understanding her need to continue her education.

"I was about 38 when I returned to school. My kids were in the fifth grade and my husband was working for the post office. I was bored and wanted to go back to school."

Prof. King returned to school an got her masters degree at CAL. State. She admits that she found it difficult at first but soon regained her learning skills.

There are many reasons why students return to get an education, Prof. King explained. "Some returning students at Valley College are here because they can't find work. They don't know what else to do. It may not be a good reason, however, if you can capture their interest and get them going again; it's worth it."

"Another reason is divorce. Many divorced women come back in their spare time. They have to. They must have a better education in order to get a higher paying job to support their children."

Prof. King feels that returning students are her best students, and she encourages them by relating her experiences to them.

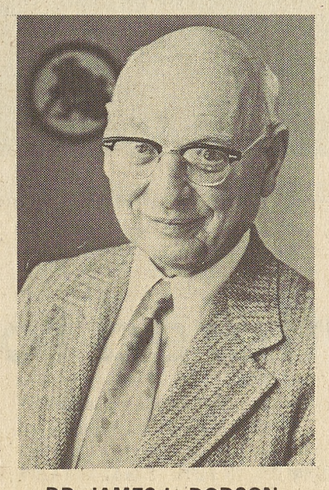
"After all, this is a community college," said Prof. King. "And community colleges offers people a second chance.

"I am 57, I don't want to wait until I am 65 to retire; I might lose my steam by then."

During the winter season both she and her husband plan to travel through the States, write short stories and articles, and perhaps come back to school to take geology, photography, and nature related courses.

"I am returning to school as a student once more. I hope others find the encouragement to do the same."

—FRANK FERNANDEZ



DR. JAMES L. DODSON
Prof. of History

Dr. James L. Dodson's planned retirement will be in name only, for as Valley's first counselor and mentor, he will be the curator of its 26 years of memories.

For the veteran counselor and history teacher of 26 years was named curator of the Valley Historical Museum, a project which has long been a dream of his and members of the faculty who remember the school's beginnings in bungalows at Van Nuys High School, and later in the first Administration Building here in Bungalow 15.

Retiring because of a school district rule stipulation retirement at age 65, Dr. Dodson feels he has many good years ahead of him.

Apparently, so do his students.

A group of them have drawn up a petition asking to change the rule, and will present it to the Board of Trustees. The petition has already received nearly 1,000 signatures.

Aside from his counseling and current teaching in Ancient History and History of Religion, Dodson was the "leader" in the drive to save Bungalow 15, the school's single historical monument. He cites the efforts of former trustee Marian La Follette, Valley Communications Officer Austin Conover, and Mrs. Marjorie Knapp, among others in the subsequent saving of the bungalow which will house memorabilia of Valley.

In the meantime he is busy with the two things that interest him most; teaching and counseling. "I'm one of those fortunate people who gets paid for what they like to do." In my counseling I've seen an amazing number of people who hate their job."

His hours can vary greatly. "I make appointments for any time a student can come in, day or night, and stay to talk til the cows come home."

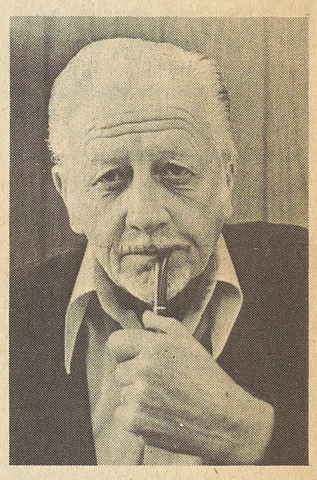
Traveling is also one of his greatest interests. Approximately every other year, he takes a group of 8 to 20 students to parts of Europe and Greece, primarily the ruins in Rome and Athens, using slides from these excursions in his class lectures.

He retains his original office in Bungalow 15, "with the original furnishings, including the typewriter," a remnant of the early days.

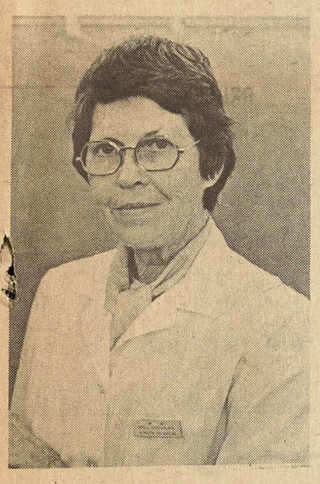
"I don't use any secretary. I once made a pact with the school that if they let me salvage this old typewriter I'd do all my own secretarial work, and I've never broken the pact since."

As for retirement, the museum may take up any spare time. "I'm donating whatever time is desirable. I'll just have to play it by ear."

—CECILY GARHARDT



ELMER EVANS
Prof. of Bus. Admin. Dept.
(Story not available)



LYDIA DUNCAN
Vocational Nursing Instructor

When Lydia Duncan finished her schooling and entered the working world, nurses earned $50 a month. It was during the Depression and she was fortunate to be working because hospitals and doctors felt that single nurses should have priority over married ones since they couldn't depend on a husband.

Mrs. Duncan was not only able to find work, but eventually became the director of nurses at Stamford Memorial Hospital, the major hospital in her home town of Stamford, Texas.

She made California her home in 1962 and joined the nursing faculty at Valley in 1968 teaching vocational nursing courses. However, her work at LAVC comes to an end this spring. She must retire.

I am sorry to go. I'm unhappy about leaving the students and leaving Valley, of course I knew it was coming all along. I'm not accepting it very well, but I don't think anybody does," she said.

She wishes 65 weren't a mandatory retirement age, but said, "I don't know maybe it is for the best. It might make a person look into other things and find ways to get more enjoyment and have time for people other than those in a hospital," she said.

"I have a lot of things I want to do and will do; some of them are quite foolish," she said laughing.

"I might go back to school because I'm very interested in many things. If I do go back it will be for my own enrichment," she said.

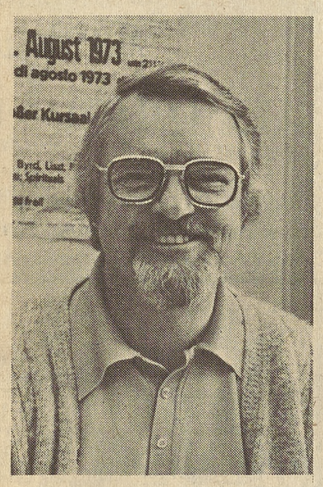
Mrs. Duncan said that she had been a practicing nurse for 30 years before she started teaching. She explained that actually she didn't want to become involved with teaching, but that the situation demanded her to do so.

"I didn't teach until we needed the nurses at the hospital where I was director of nurses and then we opened our own vocational nursing school. I didn't particularly want to teach at the beginning. I like bedside communication with the patient. I feel more like a nurse than a teacher, I always will," she said.

Although, she added, "I wouldn't trade the teaching at all because I love the contact with the students."

Despite her regret at having to retire she feels that there may be hidden advantages if it causes a person to seek out new avenues and involve themselves in new experiences. She feels that a person's life is enhanced rather than curtailed at 65.

—MARTHA HOCHSTRASSER



RICHARD KNOX
Prof. of Music
(Story not available)



AL "ACE" HUNT
Ass. Prof. of P.E.

"Get your racquet back"—"Bend those knees"—"Hustle"—These familiar sounds will never again be uttered by Alfred (Ace) Hunt on the Valley College campus.

After 24 years, Hunt, associate professor of physical education and tennis team coach, will retire from Valley's staff at the end of this semester.

"I have enjoyed teaching and tennis here at Valley," said Hunt, "and I'm sorry to be leaving." He continued, "My students here are motivated, dedicated, and enthusiastic."

"I plan to spend the summer with my daughter in Boise, Idaho, and then take a five month trip through Panama with William McNellis, former president of Valley College," said Hunt.

After that, Hunt will spend most of his time on a fainca, which is a coffee farm in El Salvador.

According to Hunt, "El Salvador is beautiful, especially in winter, where it is perpetually spring time." He went on, "I like to do down there . . . . . the people are wonderful, and the climate delightful, but I don't want to spend the rest of my life there.

When not on the fainca, Hunt plans to spend his time camping throughout South America and visiting his daughter.

A native of sunny California, Hunt was born in 1917 in Van Nuys. In his junior year at Van Nuys High, he transfered to Hollywood High where he was graduated in 1928. He then attended Occidental College where he received his bachelors degree.

While still in elementary school, Hunt started playing tennis when it was a "social game," rather than a competitive sport.

Hunt, an all-around athlete, excelled in tennis, swimming and football in school.

In fact, his swimming ability came in handy while in high school and college by working summers as a lifeguard.

During WWII, Hunt met and fell in love with a girl from El Salvador. They were married in 1942.

Hunt's wife came into a family inheritance, a fainca, in El Salvador. Upon her death, the fainca was left to their two children.

Hunt is now a widower with only one surviving daughter—his son was killed in Vietnam.

Sometime after the war, Hunt decided to go back to teaching. He received his masters degree at the University of North Carolina.

"I started teaching at Valley in 1951," says Hunt, reflecting the past 24 years with fond memories.

—ARLENE CODY

Veterans Office

Information regarding G.I. benefits to draft counseling can be obtained in the Veterans Office 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. and 5:30 to 8:30 p.m. on Mondays: 6 to 9 p.m. Wednesdays, and 5 to 8 p.m. Thursdays. The office is located in A-126.

Valley Student Wins Trustee Trip to Islands

After the sale of the raffle tickets during the recent College Board of Trustee elections, the winning ticket held by Valley College student Andreanetti Clark, has won her a week-long trip for two in Hawaii.

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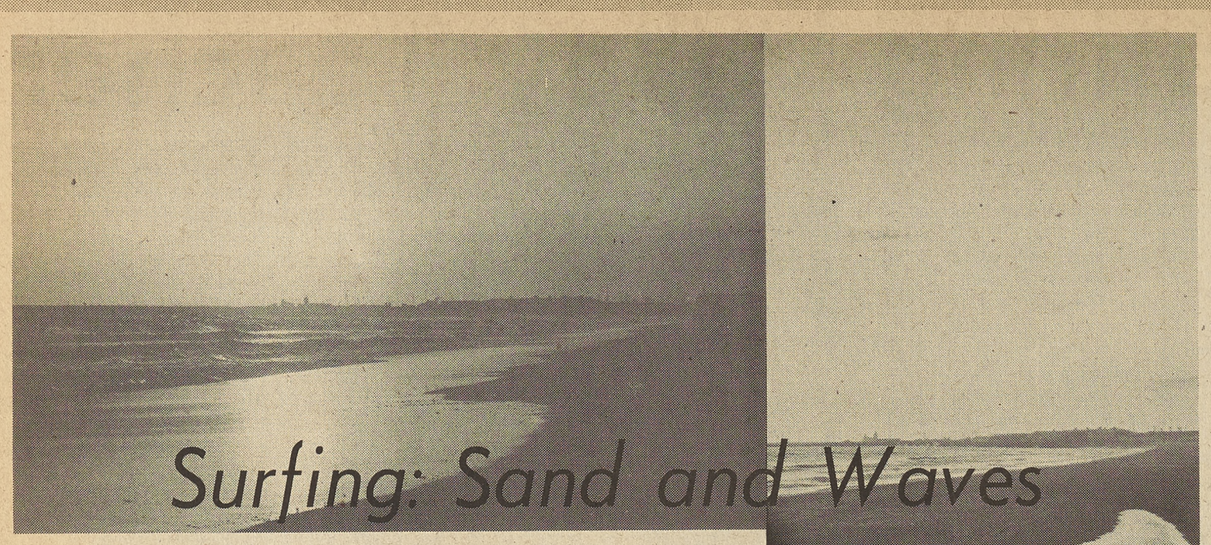
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Within a moment's blink I was in the water. Deeper, deeper, colder, and colder; too cold to move and too proud to show defeat, I remained. My hips now share the tingling numbness with what were once my toes. My body attempts to fight the chilling pain. Pores draw close together, muscles tighten with the grip of a vise, deep breaths are followed by uncontrollable shivering, but in vain. The cold is throughout.



Soon I am surrounded by white. A thousand hands pulling, pushing, ripping. Pressure within, pressure without, ubiquitous forces engulf my body. Suddenly, out of nowhere, appears a seven-foot wave. Four tons of ocean above me and four feet of foam below. Nowhere to go, no one can help.

My wave arrived. All of the energy in my weary body is called upon. Adrenaline is working like anti-freeze as warmth is circulating again. A burst of electricity is generated. My stomach is stiff. My hands and feet are working in perfect unison. I am streamlike. I am a fish. The wall is forming behind me, apprehension sets in. I must succeed, I will succeed.

Counselor Sponsors Raft Rides

Breckell's Trip: The Rapids

By CATHY VENABLE
Staff Writer

Ripping down a wild, white river, being splashed, soaked, and finally drenched, is more than just a hobby to counselor-instructor Jay Breckell and his wife Kathy; it's business as usual.

The Breckells discovered the up and coming sport of riding the rapids about four years ago, and have expanded to share the experience with many since then.

Breckell, being extremely acquatic oriented, with his involvement in scuba and skin diving, as well as instructing classes at Valley College in water safety, when looking for a job over the college summer break, decided to try to make the exciting vacation into a money-making proposition.

Weekend trips down the Stanislaus were arranged and the Brackell's turned the summer job into a vacation adventure.

Families, individuals, young and old, have explored the river with the Breckell's and their 20-foot raft; expanding and learning about the California that most people never see.

Beginning their trip in the Valley College parking lot, thrillseekers joining the Breckkell's board an air-conditioned bus stocked with refreshments that will help to assure a good start upon arrival at the Stanislaus.

The adventurers travel light, bringing with them only the basic necessities, all of which are secured in rubber bags to avoid most of the water.

Once everyone is set, the two rowers, usually college students, launch the raft and head toward two full days of daring exposition through the untamed side of the wilderness of California.

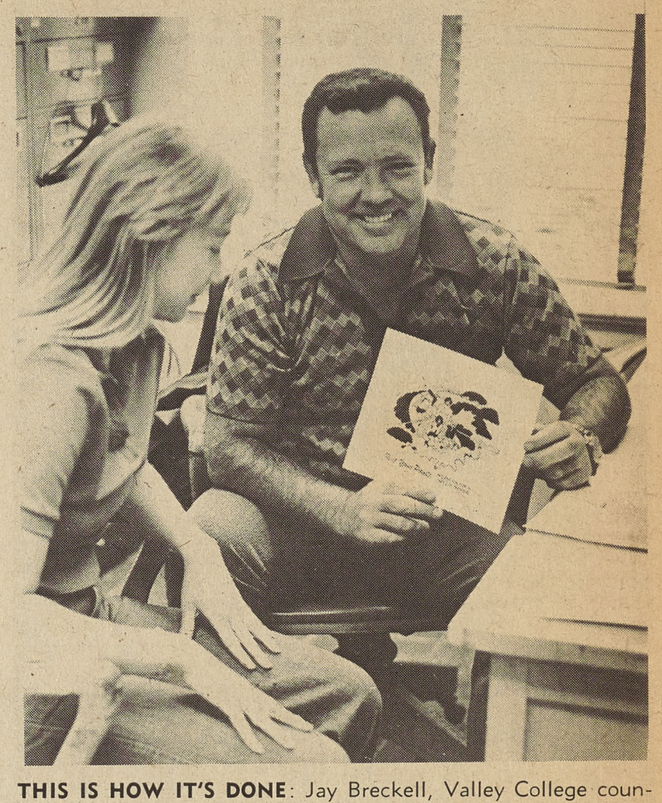
Sutter's Mill is one of the highlights of the trip downstream, along with stops along the banks to allow the tourists a chance to explore old Indian relecs, common in the heart of Mother Load country.

As darkness nears, the oar-men steer near the bank to find the night's resting place. At this point, the travelers set up camp while the Breckell's prepare the dinner meal.

When the thrillseekers reach the end of the journey, the air-conditioned bus will meet them and take the wet, weary travelers back to the warm, dry, smoggy, city; the experience left to only memories.

Breckell says that, "Sleeping under the stars," helps one get closer to nature, and the whole trip brings the travelers to develop a closeness to each other because they have shared an incomparable experience togetther.

This summer will bring the addition of three new rivers, the American, the Tuolumne, and the Merced. The new selection will allow those wishing to travel with the Breckell's a variety to choose from to find which would make the perfect vacation.



THIS IS HOW IT'S DONE: Jay Breckell, Valley College counselor and coordinator of raft rides down various California rivers, explains to a local student, the different routes the raft may take during a trip.

Valley Star Photo by Ron Sobol

Baseball Trivia Quiz

Dodger Tickets Offered to Winner

For all of you baseball freaks and "Guiness Book of World Records" owners, here is a quiz that should bend your mind, curve your spine, and keep the country from winning the war.

On a sheet of paper answer all questions and turn them in to the Sports Editor's desk in BJ114 between the hours of 11 a.m. and noon on Friday, June 6. The first person to answer all the questions correctly will win two tickets to an upcoming Dodger game.

1. Who was the youngest player to play in the major leagues and how old was he?

2. Who is the all-time World Series home run champion and how many did he hit?

3. In recent history the Dodgers have retired the numbers of three players. Who are they and what are their numbers? Hint: All are Hall of Famers.

4. Who holds the record for most consecutive games played in the major leagues and what is the record?

5. Timewise, what is the shortest major league baseball game ever played and who were the two teams involved?

6. Only three major league players have had their numbers retired while still active. Who are they?

7. Who is the only pitcher to throw two consecutive no-hitters?

8. Who pitched the longest perfect game and how many innings only to lose the game?

9. Name the two most recent expansion teams?

10. Name the two players who hold the record for collecting the most hits during the world series?

11. Who was the last player to win the Triple Crown and what year?

12. What pitcher holds the record for most consecutive wins?

13. Give the real names of these players whose nicknames appear below:

Georgia Peach, Three Dog, Sultan of Swat, The Train.

14. Who was the youngest player to win a homerun crown?

15. What is the oldest stadium in each league?

16. Who is the winningest baseball pitcher of all time and how many did he win?

17. Who is the winningest manager of all time?

18. Name the two teams that competed in the first World Series in 1903, and what was unique about the series?

19. Who was the last player to hit for a .400 average during one season?

BONUS

20. What is the official Dodger Beer?

Swimmers Hold Banquet; Estey, Pompa All-American

Valley's aquamen brought home honors from the Annual Swim Team Banquet held last week.

Two Monarch swimmers have been selected for the Community College All-American team; Dave Estey in the 100 yard breaststroke competition, after his achievement of 1:03.2, and Bob Pompa for the 100 yard butterfly, turning in one of his best performances at 53.8.

Other awards for the team efforts this season included Estey, chosen Most Outstanding Swimmer; Tad Nelson, honored as captain of the Monarch Team; Mark Crevier, showing to be the Most Improved Swimmer; and Dirk Mathiason, the team's Most Inspirational Swimmer.

The team, coached by Bill Krauss, will look ahead now to next season and be hopeful at a chance for the Metro Crown in '76.

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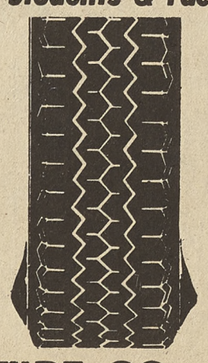


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FOX WESTWOOD VILLAGE

Westwood Village: City Within a City

STEVE ISAAC
Sports Editor

Once upon a time some 35 years ago, a quaint little Village by the name of Westwood was thought up and the creation began.

The Village's location was to be just north of the populous Wilshire District, south of the San Fernando Valley, west of Santa Monica, and a little north of the wealthy Beverly Hills.

By placing the Village in this location it was thought that Westwood would and could be the center gathering place for people coming from all directions.

Now, 35 years later, Westwood Village has prospered from a closely knit group of curio shops and petite dining places into an always growing "do anything, have everything" little community.

From the tiny deli to plush restaurants, the off-beat little antique and trinket stores, to the extravagant, over-priced shops, Westwood also offers a choice of five theaters that always have first-run movies playing.

The best time to see and visit the booming community of Westwood would be on a Friday or Saturday evening.

Overflowing on a weekend night with groups from Hari Krishna or Jews for Jesus, to guys and broads from UCLA, Westwood's amazing variety of things to do and see is inexhaustible.

For those of you planning a trip to Westwood in the near future, a rating of places to see and eat are listed.

EATING PLACES

Macho's Mexican Restaurant — If Mexican food is your bag, be sure to make it to Macho's. Enchiladas and Chile Rellano are super along with easy flowing Margueritas.

Monty's Steak House — Looking over all of Westwood, the prices are a little high but the food is amazing. Prime Rib and Lamb are the house's specialty with tasty side dishes such as mushrooms, manacotti, and a gigantic baked potato.

Mario's Italian Restaurant — Again, the food is amazing, and again, so are the prices. The pasta is well worth the price but the best of all is the pizza which is cooked in a deep dish pan, really great.
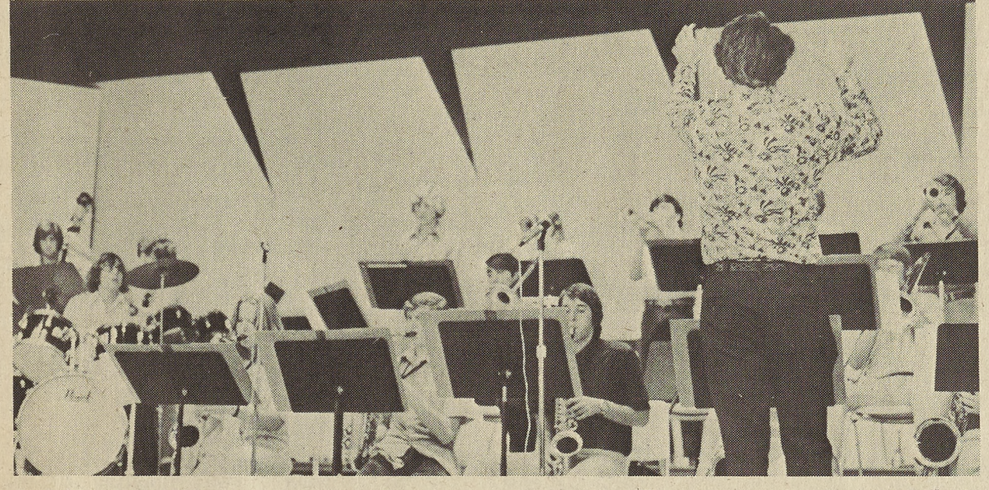
Ah Fong's — That is exactly what you will say when you leave; Ah Fong. Here the food is low and the price is high. Serving Cantonese food, sometimes undercooked, if you are an adventurer try it.

THINGS TO SEE

The Gallery — Located behind the Wherehouse Record Store, the Gallery offers a few dozen different kinds of little, finely handcrafted jewelery and trinket booths. It's also a little bit overpriced.

Braxton Avenue, Galey Avenue, and Westwood Boulevard — You shouldn't miss strolling up and down these streets. Along these streets one will find an array of tiny eating places, clothes, and curio shops, that will never cease to captivate your interests.





JAZZ ANYONE? Twelve high schools representing the San Fernando Valley, Burbank and Venice competed last Saturday in the Jazz Festival sponsored by the LAVC Music Department. The winning bands were: Eagle Rock, first place; Van Nuys, second place; Venice, third place.

Valley Star Photo by Michael Perla

'Breakout' Plagues Theaters

By LARRY FRAZIN
Staff Writer

When film distributors feel their movie is a dog, they get what profit they can by dumping it at local theaters. "Breakout" is playing at your local theater.

Besides being an insult to your intelligence, "Breakout" is probably the worst Charles Bronson action picture ever made. It is a mindless type of movie, saturated unsophisticated adventure. However, let us give credit where credit is due. Forget it. Even the most faithful Bronson fan will be disappointed at this mishmash movie.

Bronson, fresh out of "Death Wish," has jumped into another static script. He probably will cry all the way to the bank. For as rock-bottom as the film is, there exists a clan of overzealous Bronson fans who never let him down. It is billed as "The greatest escape film ever!" They're right. Bronson and company will no doubt make out like bandits.

The plot although predictible, at least keeps things moving along. John Huston, an old ruthless underworld biggie, frames his grandson, Robert Duvall, for murder. Duvall winds up in a Mexican penitentiary. Duvall's wife, Jill Ireland, decides to spring her husband. She must hire someone for the task. Enter Bronson, a kind of soldier of fortune who has the warmth of an iceberg. Anyway, he takes the job and after various inept tries, springs Duvall from prison.

The whole concept is far from convicing. The characters are hardly characters, especially Sheree North as an ex-Bronson girlfriend and Randy Quaid as Bronson's sidekick. The direction (if any) is sloppy.

"Breakout" is rated PG and is playing citywide (which you already know). If you are a true-blue Bronson fan, you may consider this film. On second thought . . .

Campus Concert Program Features Student Composers, Instrumentalists

By KEVIN GRABLE
Staff Writer

A program of student composers and instrumentalists was an enjoyable experience presented by the Music Department in Monarch Hall Monday night.

Theodore Lynn, director of campus concerts, termed the overall event a success, but he had some criticisms.

"It is not a success without an audience," he said. "We should have had 200 people."

A small but attentive audience of about 75 seemed to thoroughly enjoy the program which consisted of works by student composers and performances by student musicians.

Lynn also played violin and piano in several of the pieces. "I was not happy with everything I did or the students did," he said.

In general, however, he thought the students played well. Students played four selections which Lynn called "examples of our best young composers."

Lisa Edelman, Reed Robbins, Vance Harris, and John Stevens, all students at Valley College, composed musical pieces which were enjoyable and creative.

Kent Ecklund played Histoires by Jacques Ibert (1890-1962) on the saxophone. He played clearly and succinctly.

The loudest applause came at the end of Concerto for Double Bass and Orchestra. David Warshauer played double bass accompanied by Lynn on piano.

The Los Angeles Valley College Flute Quartet performed Jour d'Ete a la Montagne by Eugene Bozza (born 1905).

The audience loudly applauded Sherron Corner's solo performance on flute and piccolo.

Annual Art Awards Given To Nine Student Winners

The Annual Art Department Award Scholarships have been awarded to nine art students who qualified on the basis of artistic merit, the department has announced.

Awards were announced at the Day Student Exhibit recently, and are awarded at the department banquet. Winners are: Art Department Award, Kay Kam; Art Club Award, Pat McDonald; Zella Margraf Award, Gary Worrell (who is art gallery attendant and installer); Art Galley Award, Tom Dowling; and the William Dammward Award was won by Wayne Clark.

Other winners include Debbie Hutchinson, Art Club 3-D Award; Linda Cantaldi, Art Club 2-D Award; Chris Bowman, Tenneco Award; and William Todd Haile, winner of the Ellis Simile Award.

These winners are chosen by individual teachers of various classes. Classes include Design I and II, Drawing, Painting, Advertising, Jewelry, and Pottery.

VC Symphony To Round Out Music Festival

The LAVC Symphony Orchestra will be presenting a concert tonight at 8 in Monarch Hall as the last in a concert series of the Annual Spring Arts Festival.

Instructor Theodore Lynn will conduct the approximately 46-member Symphony Orchestra. The program will include "Sakuntala" the Overture by Karl Goldmark, and Symphony No. 8 in B Minor (Unfinished) by Franz Schubert.

Also featured on the program will be The Trumpet Concerto by Franz Josef Haydn, Concerto in for Clarinet by Wolfgang Mozart, and the Danzas del ballet "Estancia" by Alberto Ginastere.

VC Dance Club Sponsors Party

The International Folk Dance Club of Los Angeles Valley College will sponsor a rendezvous folk dancing party on Saturday, June 28, from 8 p.m. to midnight in the Vallege College Field House, to celebrate the coming end of the semester. Admission is $1.

The featured band, Pecurka, an international folk band, will be right at home with the club, as the club also features an international repertoire, with dances from Israel, Romania, Serbia, Greece and Hungary. The Club gives instructional dancing every Saturday night, with an hour of lively dancing afterwards. The semester-end party will be totally dedicated to live, folk dancing music.

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Sociology Class Simulates Society

By CHARLIE SAYLES
Staff Writer

In the corner of a noisy room the leaders of the political party huddle together. Soon they release their political platform founded on peace and against military action.

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Sound like a familiar political game?

It is. Only this time it is just a simulated society (SIMSOC) played as part of a Sociology 1 class.

"We are trying to kick the lecture habit," says Meredith Ponte, instructor of sociology, who along with Pat Allen, associate professor of sociology, teaches the class.

What the students experience is a society which they can start, develop, and maintain on their own.

The society takes on different phases with the first phase giving the students an opportunity to work out the normal pitfalls which would be apparent in starting any society.

During the next phase as political confrontation is approaching the students start to understand the roles they have assumed.

"Everybody is doing fine," says Joel Camps, coordinator of SIMSOC, to Ponte. "I think it is time to hit them with an earthquake to see how they react."

Earthquakes aren't the only surprises the members of the society might face. Epidemics, foreign threats, and offers of foreign aid are also built into SIMSOC.

More important than these is the urgent needs of the government being tested.

"It's really just a microcosm of the American society," Ponte says. "It usually splits off into three major groups. One group has the power. Another group is disenchanted with the power structure. The third group is a socialist group which wants everybody to work together."

"It's Americans playing the game," said Ms. Allen. "They are bringing in their culture, their norms, their values. I think the participants are showing a lot of benevolence, and a lot of suspicion. Just like what we have happening now with Watergate and all the rest of it."

When the power struggle ends, two possibilities creep up. If a government is formed the society fails of good times and must face the problems of prosperity. If it fails, the game ends.

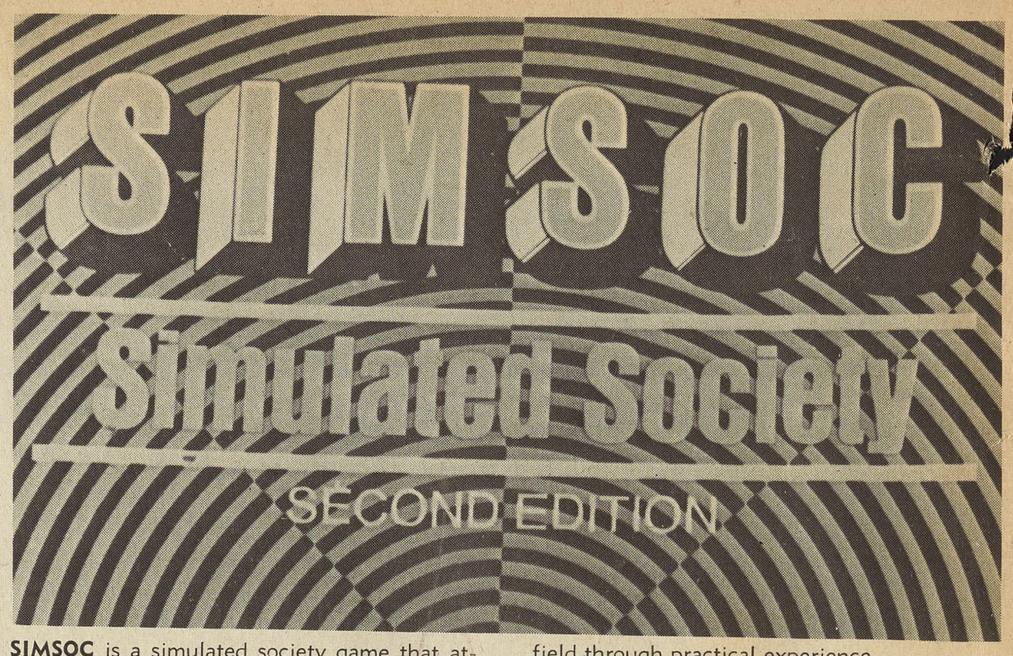
What happens when the society dies depends on the circumstances. Usually the students would be required to write a paper on what they feel are the causes for its death.

"That is the incentive," Ponte says, "they know we will ask them to write a paper, and go back to the traditional method of teaching, the lecture format."

But if the society survives, much of the learning aspect of SIMSOC is obtained fighting the pitfalls of prosperity. Here is the game in its final stage.

They have less problems while the society flourishes. With less problems, less people are needed to handle them. What formerly took a great deal of time by many people working together, can now be handled by a select few.

The game soon ends and the students now have a chance to reflect on patterns in American society which they experienced in SIMSOC. Their knowledge of society as they experienced it in SIMSOC now becomes relevant to their own lives. It has given them a greater insight into the world as seen by the decision makers.



SIMSOC is a simulated society game that attempts to teach sociology students about their field through practical experience.

Valley Star Photo by Mario Prado

Moving to Larger Quarters

Financial, EOPS Sites Moved

By ROB MYERS
Staff Writer

The Extended Opportunity Program and Services Office and the Financial Aids Office will move to larger quarters in the Campus Center basement "we hope by the last part of this month," said Acting Dean of Students Ruby Zuver.

Presently located in Cafeteria Room 100, the EOPS Office will move to a more spacious but windowless CC2 at the south end of the hall near the elevator. John Gipson, director of EOPS, said that adjusting to "a mole-type life" won't be a problem because of the lighting and air conditioning. A disadvantage, he said, would be that "we are not as easily accessible to students."

The EOPS office assists students handicapped by language, social, and economic disadvantages in their educational pursuits by providing such services as admissions counseling and tutoring. Fall office hours will be Monday through Friday, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Summer office hours will be announced next week.

The Financial Aids Office, presently located in CC108, will move downstairs to CC4, next door to the new EOPS Office. Office hours for the summer and fall will be Monday through Friday, 9 a.m. to noon and 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. This office assists students preparing applications for scholarships, grants, and loans.

Also located in the basement will be the new Recreation Room, which will be open the first week of fall semester "for sure," said Bruno Cicotti, coordinator of student affairs.

The 87' by 29' Recreation Room, in CC8, will feature four pool tables, eight pinball machines, two air hockey games, a juke box, two card tables, and a student lounge. The lounge will have overstuffed couches and soft drink and candy vending machines, said Tom Hubbell, commissioner of campus improvements.

Air conditioning installation problems were not the reason for delaying the room's opening until September, said Miss Mary Ann Breckell, coordinator of educational services. "As far as the responsibilities of my office were concerned, the Recreation Room was ready a month ago. The contractors were out by the end of April," she said.

Hubbell said that he and Cicotti thought that opening the room for only one months and then closing it down for the summer when the room would not be used would be economically unfeasible. The machines and tables, if prematurely installed, would only "gather dust" during the summer, Hubbell said. A supervisor would have to be paid. "We would be losing money, contrary to the original purpose of A.S.O. (Associated Students Organization)," he said.

Hubbell said he regretted that candidates for graduation who had supported the Rec Room by obtaining paid ID's but who will no longer be students, would not be able to use the facility next fall, but, he said, "We had to decide on the basis of what is best for all students, not just those leaving." Under a policy that Hubbell helped write, which states that the room is only for Valley College faculty and students, he himself will not be able to use the room.

Valley College Student Dies In Gun Incident

A 19-year-old Valley College police science student apparently shot and killed himself Saturday, according to Van Nuys police.

Brady Delp of 8538 Gullo Ave., Panorama City, reportedly shot himself in the neck and was killed instantly, said police while he was in a friend's apartment on Woodman Avenue in Panorama City.

Police were told by other young people in the apartment that Mr. Delp loaded a revolver with one bullet, spun the cylinder, and pulled the trigger twice.

The gun fired with Mr. Delp's second pull.

An employee of the Van Nuys Jail and a student worker at Van Nuys Area Station of the Los Angeles Police Department, Delp is survived by his parents and is the eldest of six children. He was graduated from Van Nuys High School.

Funeral services were held yesterday at Utter-McKinley Mortuary on Sepulveda Boulevard. Interment was private.

Modern Parenthood Discussion Slated

"Modern Day Parenting" will be the topic tomorrow of a lecture by Dr. Robert LaCrosse, president of Pacific Oaks College in Pasadena, at 7:30 p.m. in Monarch Hall.

There is no admission charge. It is a Community Services offering in cooperation with the Home Economics Department.

As a child care expert, Dr. LeCrosse invites parents, teachers, directors, aides, and career oriented students to attend. He will discuss his own fears about being a parent.

"Parents," says Dr. LaCrosse, "should seek out the very best information on child rearing, then use their own common sense. Children should be reared to fit into the particular life pattern of the parents."

This Pasadena educator has written numerous books and articles on child care. These include: "The First Six Years of Life: A Report on Current Research and Educational Practice," "Psychologist and Teacher: Cooperation or Conflict?," "Early Childhood Education," "The Early Childhood Education Directory," "Day Care for America's Children," and "Reading Readiness in the Preschool Years: A Total Preparation by the Environment."

CLUBS

Final Events Set

By STAN SPERLING
Club Editor

The current situation of farmworkers will be explored by Carol Knief, representative of the farmworker's union, in a YOUNG DEMOCRATS sponsored lecture today at 11 a.m. in CC201.

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To raise funds for club scholarships, TAU ALPHA EPSILON will conduct a prize drawing today at 11:30 a.m. under the flagpole. Students possessing tickets for the event will have an opportunity to win a cassette tape recorder, electric calculator, and turquoise jewelry, among others.

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A popcorn and punch sale will be conducted by BETA PHI GAMMA today from 9 a.m.-1 p.m. in Monarch Square. The cost of the food will be 20 cents while the drink will sell for 15 cents.

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The last advanced lecture and group meditation for meditators of the semester will be held today at 11 a.m. in H113 by the STUDENTS INTERNATIONAL MEDITATION SOCIETY.

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Orcha Bamidbar, an Israeli couple dance taught by David Kamenow, formerly with Cafe Danssa, will be featured at the INTERNATIONAL RENDEZVOUS FOLK DANCE CLUB'S weekly meeting on Saturday, June 7, at 8 p.m. in the Field House. Admission is $1.

Retirement . . .

(Continued from Pg. 1, Col. 5)

Weber, who was forced to retire last June, and Elmer B. Evans, who must retire this June.

The two men and the AFT local claim the California Government and Education Code sections permit many teachers within the state, including those in the California State University and Colleges system, to work until age 67 or 70.

Dowds, according to the Times, said he denied the petition specifically because the teachers failed to prove a "lack of rational basis for differences in retirement ages."

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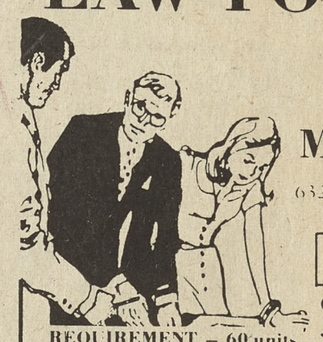
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